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CENTRAL NERVOUS SYSTEM LYMPHOMAS

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**AMENDMENT PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. 1.116**

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Sir:

This is in response to the official action [final rejection] dated April 10, 2006, wherein the claims were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) and § 103(a) and under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting.